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(54) L-ERGOTHIONEINE, MILK THISTLE, AND S-ADENOSYLMETHIONINE FOR THE PREVENTION, TREATMENT AND REPAIR OF LIVER DAMAGE

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(57) ABSTRACT

This invention provides therapeutic compositions and combinations for the protection, treatment and repair of liver tissue. The invention relates to novel compositions and combinations comprising two or more compounds selected from the group consisting of S-adenosylmethionine, L-ergothioneine, and a substance selected from the group consisting of constituents of Milk thistle (Silybum marianum), silymarin and active components of silymarin, whether naturally, synthetically, or semi-synthetically derived, and to methods of preventing and treating liver disease and of repairing damaged liver tissue. The invention also provides a method of administering these compositions and combinations to humans or animals in need thereof.

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S-ADENOSYLMETHIONINE